



11/13  
11-50  
REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP  
PATENT  
0445-0295P

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Akira NODA et al. Conf.: 1034  
Appl. No.: 09/818,783 Group: 3761  
Filed: March 28, 2001 Examiner: C. ANDERSON  
For: ABSORBENT ARTICLE

~~Do not enter~~ 11/15/02  
~~DO NOT~~ 12/1/02  
**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

**October 29, 2002**

Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's Final Office Action dated July 30, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**RECEIVED**

NOV - 1 2002

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

Please cancel claim 6 without prejudice of the subject matter contained therein.